

# The Anchorage Amateur Radio News Bulletin

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The June elections for AARC Officers and Directors went smoothly this year. There were 53 members voting at the meeting and 21 members who voted with the mail in ballots, a forty percent increase in voting participation over last year.

Officers elected for the year beginning July 1st are Rob AL7KK as President, Mel AL7PB as Vice President, Gerianne WL7RY as Activities Manager, Susan NL7NN as Secretary and John NL7NC as Treasurer. John will also continue as the Gaming Treasurer as well.

Directors elected for the year beginning July 1st are Simon NL7VR as a Three

Year Director, and as One Year Directors Harvey NL7DK, Lil NL7DL, Paul WL7BF, Jim AL7FS, Eric AL7IM and Dianne NL7KN. Congratulations to these fine members and to all of the other members who volunteered for consideration in this year's elections.


Continuing on the Board are the Club's Trustee Bill KL7ITI, Three Year Directors Billy AL7BB and Lance AL7BK, and Richard AL7MO who was elevated to the position of Past President. Leaving the Board this year are Joan AL7NK, Gil WL7EC and Bob NL7UH who stepped in to finish Rick KL7YF's position after he resigned this Spring.

## AARC Board Reviews By Law Changes

The proposed changes to the By Laws were scheduled for a vote at the June General Meeting. However, a motion was made from the floor to send the proposed changes back to the Board for additional consideration. The Board of Directors took up the changes as requested at the June 8th meeting. The proposed changes in the By Laws will be available at the July 1st General Meeting and will be printed in the August newsletter.

The major reason for requesting the

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As this newsletter goes to press members of the AARC and the SCRC were preparing for the combined Field Day operation from Six Mile Lake on Elmendorf AFB. As of the last planning session, there was going to be two or three HF stations, satellite, packet and VHF.



**AARC GENERAL MEETINGS** are held on the first Friday evening of each month in Room 102 of the Carr-Gottstein Building on the Alaska Pacific University Campus. The campus is located at 4101 University Drive and Bragaw Streets. Parking is available only in the lot to the northeast of the building. The meetings begin at 7:00 PM and visitors are always welcome! The AARC legendary raffle is open to everyone.

**AARC BOARD MEETINGS** are held on the second Wednesday evening of each month in Room 104 of the Carr-Gottstein Building on the APU campus. The meetings begin at 7:00 PM and are open to all club members and visitors.

**ANCHORAGE ARES NET** The Anchorage area Amateur Radio Emergency Services net is held each Thursday evening at 8:00 PM on the KL7ION repeater on 147.3 (+.600). Net Control is Lil Marvin, NL7DL and alternate NCS station is KL7IO. The Westlink Amateur Radio report, Swap N Shop and the Parka Net follow the ARES net on the same frequency.

**THE KL7AA REPEATERS** sponsored by the club are on 146.94 (at minus .600), 224.94 (-1.600) and 444.7 (+5.000). The 146.94 repeater located near Flatop Mt. and the remote receiver at Government Hill use either 100 or 141.3 hz tones for access. The West Anchorage remote receiver uses only 100 hz tones. The 125 cm and the 70 cm repeaters located near Flat Top Mt. do not require tone for access at this time. The AARC sponsored repeater at Mt. Alyeska, 146.76 (-.600), is equipped with the 141.3 hz tone, but does not require it for access at this time.

The repeater trustee is William Reiter, KL7ITI. Doug Dickinson, KL7IKX, is chairman of the VHF/UHF committee.

**KL7AA-7 PACKET OPERATIONS** Ports are 145.01 mhz, 147.96 mhz and 445.05 mhz at 1,200 Baud; 7110 khz (LSB) at 300 Baud (alias HF40) and 445.11 mhz at 9600 Baud. The Iceworm BBS is available on 147.96. Remember that 147.96 mhz is normally in use as the Iceworm link to other Alaskan communities and limit use of that port to the hours of 1600 to 2200 daily.

A landline port is available at 300-9600 Baud, V32.bis compatible; registration is required. Contact Sysop Mel Sauners, AL7PB, at 349-4372 for info, or contact Sysops Doug KL7IKX, Paul WL7BF, Jim NL7C, Merle AL7LD or Bill AL7MM.

**FREE LICENSE EXAMS** are held on the first Wednesday evening of the month at 6:30PM in the Carr-Gottstein Bldg on the APU campus and on the third Wednesday evening of the month in Eagle River at 7PM in the basement of the VFW Hall.

VEC exams are also held on the second Saturday of each month at 2 PM at the Hope Cottage offices, 540 W. International Airport Blvd. For more information contact VEC Director, Roger Hansen, KL7HFQ at 892-6365.

**AARC MEMBERSHIP DUES** are \$20.00 regular, \$25.00 family and \$10.00 student. Dues are due one year from date of last payment. There is a 30 day grace period. Life memberships are available. Contact Lance Dunbar, AL7BK, (H) 337-6297 or (W) 561-5457.

Please remember that the club receives \$2.00 for each ARRL membership renewal and \$5.00 for each new ARRL membership if they are processed through the AARC.

**AARC is affiliated with the ARRL.**

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## Calendar

### JULY

Meeting 1st  
Guest Speaker NM7N  
Mary Lou Brown, Asst  
NW ARRL Section Mgr  
VEC Tests 6th  
Board Meeting 13th  
Bush Net Picnic 30th

### AUGUST

VEC Tests 3rd  
Meeting 5th  
Board Meeting 10th

### SEPTEMBER

Meeting 2nd  
(Final Hamfest Plans)  
VEC Test 7th  
Board Meeting 14th  
Hamfest 24-25th  
VEC Tests at the Hamfest  
Banquet 25th

### OCTOBER

VEC Tests 5th  
Meeting 7th  
(Time To Plan Our  
Christmas Party)  
Board Meeting 12th

### NOVEMBER

VEC Tests 2nd  
Meeting 4th  
Board Meeting 9th

### DECEMBER

Christmas Party 2nd  
VEC Tests 7th  
Board Meeting 14th

*Then There's Next Year!*



## June Minutes of The Anchorage Amateur Radio Club

by Susan Woods, NL7NN

### AARC June 3rd General Meeting

The general meeting of the Anchorage Amateur Radio club was called to order by our President, Richard Mote, AL7MO at about 7 PM on Friday, June 3, 1994.

The main event of the evening was our yearly election. The slate of Officers and Board Members for 1994-95 are as follows: President, Robert Wilson, AL7KK; Vce-President, Mel Saunders, AL7PB; Secretary, Susan Woods, NL7NN; Treasurer, John Lawson, NL7NC; Activities Manager, Gerianne Thorsness, WL7RY.

Three Year Board Members: elected in 1994, Simon Carraway, NL7VR; Billy Capers, AL7BB, term expires in 1995; Lance Dunbar, AL7BK, term expires in 1996.

One Year Board Members: Harvey Rookus, NL7DK; Jim Larson, AL7FS; Lillian Marvin, NL7NN; Paul Spatzek, WL7BF; Eric Stewart, AL7IM; Dianne Hammer, NL7KN. Past President, Richard Mote, AL7MO. Trustee, Bill Reiter, KL7ITI.

While the votes were being tallied, Jim Wiley, KL7CC, from the South Central Radio Club, gave us a rundown of the upcoming joint Field Day Activities.

Field Day will be held out at Six Mile Lake on Elmendorf Air Force

Base. Everyone is welcome. Friday night's feast will be sponsored by the SCRC.

Saturday's main meal will be sponsored by the AARC. The radio activity will consist of VHF, UHF, HF (both CW and phone), Packet, Satellite, possibly ATV, and much socializing!!

Two items were in the raffle. The Kenwood TS-50S HF transceiver was won by Lillian Marvin, NL7DL. The MFJ Antenna Analyser was won by a newly licensed amateur, WL7QH.

Congratulations to the newly elected Board Members.

The meeting was adjourned and the socializing continued at O'Brady's Burgers and Brew at Tudor and Patterson.

Respectfully submitted by  
Susan Woods, NL7NN  
Secretary, AARC, Inc.

### Addendum Meeting of the Board of Directors

After the General Meeting on June 3rd was adjourned, an addendum meeting occurred in the foyer of the Carr-Gottstein Building.

There was a quorum of eight Board Members and Officers present. The discussion centered around the possibility of having one of the Board Members attend the Martech auction on June 4th. Up for sale were some 800 mhz

Motorola trunked radios.

One of the Board Members was chosen to go to the auction and look over the equipment. the bidding amount could be up to \$250.00, but not more.

The AARC could either purchase them with the intent of presenting them to the Red Cross or selling them at our next Hamfest.

Respectfully submitted by  
Susan Woods, NL7NN  
Secretary, AARC, Inc.

Editor's Note: The AARC was outbid for the Motorola equipment. Four handheld units, chargers, base station and base station antenna were sold at the auction for \$800.00.

If the AARC had been the successful bidder, the intent was to present the equipment to the local chapter of the American Red Cross. The Red Cross made a presentation to the Board of Directors at the May Board Meeting of their plans for improving their own emergency communications capability.

The Motorola equipment would have been a suitable alternative to the proposal presented to the Board and would have cost much less than their proposal for \$15-16,000 in hardware for the same number of units.

Mary Lou Brown, NM7N will be the guest speaker at the July 1st General Meeting. She will have a slide show on a DXpedition or a trip to the Russian Far East.



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Board to consider the changes further was the thought that the changes would make the position of Club Custodian no longer responsible to the Board. At the Board Meeting it was determined that the only effect of the proposed change in the By Laws concerning the Club Custodian was that the section covering the position was to be shifted from the Article on Club Officers and Directors to the Article covering Club Assets and that the position would still be just as responsible to the Board as before. The reason for shifting the section on the Custodian was that the position is an appointed one and is neither an officer nor a member of the board of directors; however, that does not prevent a member of the board from being appointed as the Club Custodian.

In further discussions on the matter, the board decided that it should recommend that all appointive positions be subject to confirmation by the Board of Directors. The Board also took the opportunity to revisit the original series of proposed changes. John, NL7NC, Club Treasurer, reported that he'd given further thought to the shift in the budget year and said that the shift probably wasn't a good idea after all. The Board then decided to drop the proposal to change the budget year from a calendar year end to the proposed June 30th year end.

The Board decided to add a proposed change in Article VIII Elections, Section 4. The change if approved by the membership will allow the Board to request a waiver on a year by year basis to allow a club member to run for more than two consecutive terms. This would allow the Board to recommend to the club that a particular member

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## VEC Results May, 1994

| Location                 | Call   | From      | To        |
|--------------------------|--------|-----------|-----------|
| <i>Anchorage</i>         |        |           |           |
| Sharon A. Carrick        |        | None      | Tech      |
| Steven J. Cooper         |        | None      | Tech      |
| Pamela D. Engle          |        | None      | Tech      |
| Thomas J. Engle (18)     |        | None      | Tech      |
| Clifford J. P. Gilman    |        | None      | Tech      |
| David W. Groom           |        | None      | Novice    |
| Ned W. Lewis             |        | None      | Tech      |
| Jerome O. List           |        | None      | Tech      |
| Cynthia L. Squire        | WL7HI  | Tech      | Tech Plus |
| Michael C. Schader       |        | None      | Tech      |
| James B. Steward         | WL7HZ  | Tech      | General   |
| <i>Eagle River</i>       |        |           |           |
| Gene F. Birky            |        | None      | Tech      |
| Richard D. Crain         |        | None      | Tech      |
| Joseph V. Kraft          | KB0GAC | Novice    | Tech Plus |
| Sandra M. Niederhofer    |        | None      | Tech      |
| Jerry L. Sandidge        | WL7HE  | General   | Advanced  |
| Douglas T. Stowers       | WL7CDC | General   | Advanced  |
| James A. Williams        |        | None      | Tech Plus |
| <i>Fairbanks</i>         |        |           |           |
| Larry E. Coy             |        | None      | Tech      |
| Ruth M. Coy              |        | None      | Tech      |
| Lisa D. Hammel           | WL7KR  | Tech      | Tech Plus |
| Charles R. Hammond       |        | None      | Tech Plus |
| Robin L. Hammond         |        | None      | Tech Plus |
| Paul M. Jagow            |        | None      | Tech      |
| Richard C. Keirn (15)    |        | None      | Tech      |
| John C. Lahr             |        | None      | Tech      |
| Jeffrey L. Levison (11)  |        | None      | Tech      |
| Terry J. Maher           |        | None      | Tech      |
| Justin E. Strawther (11) |        | None      | Tech      |
| James R. Waldo (11)      |        | None      | Tech      |
| <i>Juneau</i>            |        |           |           |
| Steven F. Gebert         |        | None      | Tech      |
| Perthena M. Hogberg      |        | None      | Tech      |
| Lila S. Hughes           |        | None      | Tech      |
| Robert W. Hughes         | WL7EA  | General   | Advanced  |
| Steve E. Ignell          | WL7QD  | Tech Plus | General   |
| Richard I. Lestor        | WL7MD  | Tech      | Tech Plus |
| Jufer M. Librando        |        | None      | Tech      |
| Russell G. Lockey        |        | None      | Tech Plus |
| Willie J. Schutt         |        | None      | Tech Plus |
| Paulette Y. Sill         |        | None      | Tech Plus |
| Robert R. Simpson        | NL7XZ  | Tech      | General   |
| James C. Tomlinson       |        | None      | Tech Plus |
| <i>Kenai</i>             |        |           |           |
| Sharon M. Gaines         |        | None      | Novice    |

Note: Tech Plus = Technician with HF privileges.

Respectfully submitted by Roger Hansen, KL7HFQ, VEC Director



## For Your Consideration

by Chuck Frensley, WL7DZ

Service to the Community. What does that mean, really? Helping out during Fur Rendezvous, marathons or the Walk for Hope?

All of the above and in no uncertain terms. One might add: "lending a helping hand to your fellow man".

To what lengths will you go in order to do this? Brave the cold for Rendezvous? Yes. Give someone a tow across town? Yes. Call the police if they have been involved in an accident - if only a fender-bender? Yes, most definitely.

Then consider too, when a motorist has been stranded due to a vehicle-disabling accident, not only are you providing a service, but you are assisting in preserving their job if you autopatch and contact their employer to advise them of the situation.

This does not constitute "conducting business". You are not applying for a job, ordering a pizza or inquiring as to the store hours of a business.

You are merely advising one persons that another has had a bit of misfortune and to allow for the circumstances.

The Federal Communications Commission clearly outlines

that Amateur Radio is for just that: Amateur-type activities. Business radio has been established for conducting business. The two are not the same.

However, since we have chosen to implement ARES, I think it is fitting that we keep going a bit farther down the road.

The Amateur Community has, for the most part, always been self-governing and self-policing. Granted, there can be no room for too much latitude.

However, when you stop and render assistance to another, you are committing yourself to providing whatever you have available in order to fulfill the obligation.

At least, if I were the motorist and you stopped and asked if you could help and I found out that you had the capability of making a phone call and said you could not, I would be disappointed to say the least.

After all, I did not ask you to tell them that my bids were on Joe's desk or that the Smiths were due in to go look at a house. Just call and let them know why I would not be on time.

There are those of you in the

organization that may or may not condone this procedure.

I think it would behoove the Club as a whole to consider the obvious advantages and I know that it would bolster the image of the Amateur immeasurably.

I speak from experience when I say that four out of five instances like the one outlined above involved making at least two phone calls for the accident principal and, usually, especially during the day, one was to their place of work.

In the past, if you overstepped the bounds of legality, a control operator came on frequency and informed you that what you did was a no-no.

I may be wrong but, if I were on the other side of the fence, I would not hesitate to thank you in writing and to send a copy to the News for a job well done.

Especially if you were advertising the fact that you were an Amateur Radio Operator.

Thanks for your consideration,

Chuck Frensley, WL7DZ



## May Treasurer's Report by John Lawson, NL7NC

Gaming proceeds of \$562.00 were received from Boniface Bingo, Inc. in May. Also, the old AARC dba Boniface Bingo, Inc. checking account at NBA was closed by Fred Tolliver in May, and the remaining funds of \$6,080.00 received by the Treasurer. The proceeds have been deposited at Smith Barney Shearson.

I met with our Smith Barney Shearson representative in May and straightened out our accounts with them so that we are now legal with the State of Alaska. One of the SBS accounts has been designated as the AARC Gaming Account. The balance in the other account has been reduced to a zero balance and should be used in the future for gaming funds. This account will be maintained; however, as it does contain one bond as a long-term undesignated club investment. The new arrangement required that we obtain new checks from SBS - these have been ordered and will be received soon.

No activity occurred during May for the Life Member Account.

Nancy Adams (CPA) is still attempting to find a discrepancy in the club's 1992 records so that she can complete our tax returns. It is hoped that she can be finished in early June. [Treasurer's Note: 1992 tax return was completed and picked up on June 9th; we owed \$2,389.00 for taxes for that year]

In a related matter, I have contracted with Kent Hartzberg of Boniface Bingo, Inc. to prepare the club's 1993 IRS forms, which can be completed after the close of

second quarter business (June 30th) and will be due to the IRS by September 1st. Kent prepares the taxes for the other three non-profit groups at Boniface Bingo, Inc.

Signature cards have been prepared for the new officers of the AARC, and will be completed in time for the "transition of power" on July 1. The President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer have signature

authority for the AARC regular account. The President, Vice-President, Gaming Chairman and Gaming Treasurer have signature authority for the club's gaming account. Both accounts require two signatures.

Account Balances at June 8th:  
 Gaming Acct- SBS \$34,925.77  
 Business Acct - FNB \$2,264.48  
 Life Member Acct \$19,186.17  
 Bond Acct - SBS \$5,358.12.

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be allowed to run for a third (or possibly more) term for a hard-to-fill position such as Activity Manager or Treasurer.

The Board decided to propose a change in Article IX Meeting, to delete the word "voting" from the sentence "Special meetings of the club may be called by the President, a majority of the Board of Directors, or upon the written request of any twenty-five (25) voting members of the club." The reason for the proposed change is that all members of the club are eligible to vote; we have no non-voting members.

Finally, the Board decided to propose a change in Article XI Quorum, Section 1. If you read section one as it has been since the inception of the By Laws, you will find that it translates from the legalese into General American English as meaning that it takes only one person to make the minimum quorum for conducting business at a regular General Meeting of the club. The Board proposed that the section be changed to state that a quorum for business at the General

Meetings be a minimum of 25 members of the club.

New copies of the proposed changes in the By Laws will be available at the July General Meeting. Just like the previous set which was published in the June Newsletter, they will show proposed deletions with lines struck through them and proposed additions in italics. That enables the reader to see what the original wording is, what would be dropped and what would be added, all in a quick glance.

It is up to the members of the club to make known their opinions and desires to the officers and directors at the July and August meetings. The revised set of changes will be presented at the July meeting and the membership will have a month to the August meeting to consider if their needs are being met by the changes.

If you decided to support the proposed changes or if you decided that you don't want the proposed changes, then you need to be at the August meeting to vote on them.



## KL7GID Awarded Alaska Distinguished Service Medal

KL7GID, Eugene Mockerman was presented with the Alaska Distinguished Service Medal by Maj. Gen. Hugh Cox, III, Adjutant General of the Alaska Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.

Maj. Gen. Cox also gave Gene a proclamation from the 18th Alaska Legislature honoring his contributions over 23 years of service as an amateur radio operator.

Gene, KL7GID, is the statewide ARES emergency coordinator and

helped to establish the state's emergency communications system.

He came to Alaska in 1967 as a supervisor for a crew of 200 electricians in response to a major flood in Fairbanks.

He has lived in Alaska ever since and now is a consultant on electrical fires and casualties.

Gene, KL7GID, and his wife, Alice, WL7CAD, live at Big Lake.

# Wanted

# Your Ideas

# For What You

# Want For AARC

# Club Programs

**Speak Your Mind  
About Your Program  
Ideas At Any Of The  
Club Meetings. It's Up  
To Each Of Us To Ask  
For The Programs  
That Are Interesting  
And Informative**

**The objects and purposes for which the Anchorage  
Amateur Radio Club was formed are**

**To promote interest in two-way amateur  
communications and experimentation.**

**To promote and develop the fraternity of amateurs  
and to maintain a high standard of conduct.**

**To provide for Community Service activities  
through financial contributions, educational  
programs and technical assistance to Community  
Service organizations and to the Community as a  
whole.**

## AARC Roster Changes

**New Callsign** for Gerianne Thorsness, was WL7PP, now WL7RY.

**New Name** for AL7FI, was Richard Loos Runyan, now Rachel Loos Runyan.

## For Sale

Three bedroom, two bath Hillside home. Call KL7HM, Fred Toliver at 562-4865.

Guess Fred's finally serious about leaving.

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